

House Resolution No.

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives always welcome the opportunity to acknowledge milestone events in the histories of Show-Me State college basketball programs that bring glory and honor to their schools and to this great state through the excellence of their competitive accomplishments; and

Whereas, College of the Ozarks, known as "Hard Work U", sponsors a women's basketball program whose 2007-2008 team took Second Place in the NAIA on March 18, 2008, with an 82-75 victory over the Northwestern Red Raiders; and

Whereas, ending the season with a 35-2 win-loss record, the College of the Ozarks Lady Bobcats garnered a three-year record of 102-7 and a four-year record of 130-12; and

Whereas, in addition to seniors Janessa DeMuth, Lindsey Messick, and Rebekah Howard, the Lady Bobcats 2007-2008 team was comprised of juniors Josie Sparkman, Kayli Combs, Emily Nichols, Bethany Jenkins, and Lindsay Murray; sophomores Kara Tipton, Melissa Duval, and Kayla Messick; and freshmen Madison Culpepper, Morgan Hickey, and Tara LaRue; and

Whereas, the Lady Bobcats were astutely guided throughout the competitive season by Head Coach George Wilson and Assistant Coach Becky Vest; and

Whereas, all of the members of the Lady Bobcats basketball team join in the campus-wide student tradition of working fifteen hours each week in a campus job in addition to the time spent in classes, studies, and other activities:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the season-long accomplishments of the Lady Bobcats basketball team and to convey to all of those involved this legislative body's most heartfelt congratulations upon taking Second Place in the NAIA in 2008; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of the College of the Ozarks Lady Bobcats basketball program.

Offered by _____
Representative Maynard Wallace
District No. 143

Representative Dennis Wood
District No. 62

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session,
do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House
Resolution No. ____, adopted ____, 2008.

Rod Jetton, Speaker